

**REMARKS**

In accordance with the foregoing, claim 27 has been cancelled.

**STATUS OF CLAIMS**

By virtue of the cancellation of claim 27 in accordance with the foregoing, all of the pending claims 1, 2, 8-11, 13 and 16 are now allowed.

**CONCLUSION**

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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